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#### **President Clinton names Raj Reddy and Irving Wladawsky-Berger as Co-Chairs**

The President today announced his intent to appoint Raj Reddy and Irving Wladawsky-Berger to serve as Co-Chairs of the President's Information Technology Advisory Committee (PITAC).

Dr. Raj Reddy, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, has been a member of the PITAC since February 1997. Dr. Reddy has served at Carnegie Mellon University in several capacities: from 1991 to July 1999, as Dean of the School of Computer Science; from 1979 to 1991, as founding Director of the Robotics Institute; in 1973, as a full professor; and in 1969 as an associate professor. Additionally, from 1992 to the present, Dr. Reddy has been a Simon University Professor of Computer Science and Robotics in the School of Computer Science at Carnegie Mellon. From 1960 to 1963, he worked as an applied science representative for IBM Corp. in Australia. Dr. Reddy is the recipient of several awards: The ACM Turing Award in 1994; The IBM Research Ralph Gomory Fellow Award in 1991; and the Legion of Honor awarded by President Mitterrand of France in 1984. Dr. Reddy received his BE from University of Madras, his Mtech degree from the University of New South Wales, Australia and his Ph.D. from Stanford University.

Dr. Irving Wladawsky-Berger, of Westport, Connecticut, has been a member of PITAC since December 1997. Dr. Wladawsky-Berger has served at IBM Corporation in several capacities, including General Manager of the Internet Division from December 1995 to the present; General Manager of RISC Systems 6000 Division from May 1995 to December 1995; from December 1991 to May 1995, as General Manager, POWER Parallel Systems. From 1985 to 1991, he worked in various executive positions in IBM's large-systems development organization. From 1984 to 1985, he was Vice President of Computer Sciences at the Thomas J. Watson Research center. From 1970 to 1984, he fulfilled various professional and management assignments at the Thomas J. Watson Research center. Additionally, from 1984 to 1987, he served as member of the Commission on Physical Sciences, Mathematics, and Resources, also of the National

Research Council. Dr. Wladawsky-Berger received his M.S. and Ph.D. in Physics from the University of Chicago.

The High Performance Computing Act of 1991 (P.L. 102-94) was enacted in 1991. As a part of the Act, the President is required to establish an Advisory Committee to provide advice and information on high-performance computing and communication. The President's Information Technology Advisory Committee (PITAC) is established by Executive Order and provides valuable guidance to the Office of Science and Technology Policy, and the agencies involved in the HPCC Initiative. The HPCC Initiative is a one-billion dollar, multi-agency research and development program authorized by the Act.